103D CONGRESS 2D SESSION

H. J. RES. 423

Designating February 27, 1995, as "John Steinbeck Day".

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 4, 1994

Mr. Farr of California introduced the following joint resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service

JOINT RESOLUTION

Designating February 27, 1995, as "John Steinbeck Day".

- Whereas John Steinbeck has brought fame and honor to the United States as a distinguished writer;
- Whereas Steinbeck's fiction is representative of the vitality and unique qualities of the people of the United States;
- Whereas people from around the world are attracted to the United States to renew memories of Steinbeck's novels and visit the locales vividly portrayed in "Cannery Row", "The Pastures of Heaven", "Of Mice and Men", "East of Eden", "The Red Pony", and "Travels With Charlie";
- Whereas Steinbeck was awarded the Pulitzer Prize Fiction Award in 1940 for "The Grapes of Wrath";

- Whereas John Steinbeck was awarded the Nobel Prize for Literature in 1962;
- Whereas John Steinbeck has been honored by the United States with a Medal of Freedom from President Lyndon Johnson, a United States Postal Service Commemorative Stamp, and the American Gold Medallion issued by the United States Mint; and

Whereas February 27 is the anniversary of the birth of John Steinbeck: Now, therefore, be it

- 1 Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives
- 2 of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 That February 27, 1995, the anniversary of the birth of
- 4 John Steinbeck, is designated as "John Steinbeck Day",
- 5 and the President is authorized and requested to issue a
- 6 proclamation calling on the people of the United States
- 7 to observe the day with appropriate ceremonies and
- 8 activities.

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